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August 29, 1970

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Dear Mrs. Mitrione:

It is an honor to enclose herein a copy of the diplomatic note by which the Uruguayan Embassy informed us of President Pacheco's message to the Mayor of Montevideo, suggesting that a street in that city be named for your husband and that a plaque be placed in his honor.

I also enclose a copy of the response sent by the Department of State, expressing our appreciation for this fine tribute to your husband.

The events of recent weeks have been tragic for all of us. I do hope that this recognition by President Pacheco will serve as a lasting reminder of the esteem in which your husband was held by the people of Uruguay and by his colleagues here and abroad.

Sincerely yours,

Alexis Johnson

Acting Secretary

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Enclosures:

1. Copy of Uruguayan Note
2. Copy of Department's Note

Mrs. Dan Mitrione,
In care of Mr. Ray Mitrione,
916 Main Street,
Richmond, Indiana.

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La Embajada del Uruguay presenta sus más atentos saludos al Departamento de Estado, y tiene el honor de transcribir la nota que el Gobierno del Uruguay ha dirigido a la Intendencia Municipal de Montevideo.

Montevideo, Agosto 11 de 1970

Intendente Municipal de Montevideo,
Doctor Oscar Rachetti,
Presente.-

Señor Intendente:

El Gobierno de la República, ante los dolorosos acontecimientos que se viven frente a la desaparición del señor Dan Anthony Mitrione, ciudadano de un país amigo, cuya vida preciosa ha sido injustamente segada por la violencia, e interpretando el sentimiento de todo el pueblo del Uruguay, se dirige al señor Intendente Municipal de Montevideo, para solicitarle que se

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El señor Dan Mitrione era un distinguido funcionario que alcanzó dentro de su disciplina altos cargos en su país, y que generosamente brindaba sus conocimientos a la noble causa del mejoramiento de la seguridad pública en que se encuentra empeñada esta Administración.

Su muerte conmueve hasta la más íntima fibra los sentimientos de nuestro pueblo, de tradición humanitaria y sin duda la de todos los pueblos civilizados del mundo, que sienten como propio el dolor inmenso de sus familiares.

En esa calle, en un lugar adecuado, sugerimos se coloque una placa que ponga en evidencia, a los ojos de las generaciones futuras, este acto criminal de lesa humanidad, cometido por seres totalmente desprovistos de los valores espirituales y morales que son la esencia misma de la civilización y la cultura. En ella, se inscribiría la siguiente leyenda: "Dan Anthony Mitrione. En eterna memoria de quien dio su vida sirviendo la democracia de su país y más allá de sus fronteras".

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(Firmado) Jorge Pacheco Areco
Presidente de la
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The Embassy of Uruguay presents its compliments to the Department of State and has the honor to transcribe the note addressed to the Mayor of Montevideo by the Government of Uruguay.

"Montevideo, August 11, 1970

Dr. Oscar Rachetti
Mayor of Montevideo
Montevideo

Mr. Mayor:

In view of the tragic death of Mr. Dan Anthony Mitrione, citizen of a friendly country, whose valuable life was unjustly ended by violence, the Government of the Republic, expressing the feelings of all the people of Uruguay, requests you to name a thoroughfare of this city after him in perpetual tribute to his memory.

Dan Mitrione was a distinguished official who had held high posts in his country in his professional field and who generously contributed his knowledge to the noble cause of improving public security, a goal toward which this Government is striving.

His death has deeply shocked our traditionally humanitarian people and all the civilized peoples of the world, who share the great sorrow of his family

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We suggest that a plaque be placed in a suitable location in that street that will tell future generations of the criminal act against humanity committed by persons who lacked those spiritual and moral values that are the very essence of civilization and culture. The following legend should be inscribed on the plaque: Dan Anthony Mitrione. In everlasting memory of one who gave his life in the service of democracy in his country and beyond its borders.

[Signed] Jorge Pacheco Areco

President of the
Republic of Uruguay"

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The Department of State acknowledges the receipt of the note delivered August 18, 1970, from the Embassy of Uruguay, transmitting a copy of President Pacheco's note to the Mayor of Montevideo, requesting that a thoroughfare of that city be named for Dan Anthony Mitrione and that an appropriate plaque be placed in a suitable location.

This noble gesture, which will serve as a perpetual tribute to the memory of Dan Anthony Mitrione, is sincerely appreciated.

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Department of State,

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TO: The Acting Secretary

AUG.27,1970.

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FROM: ARA - Charles A. Meyer

SUBJECT: Letter to Mrs. Dan Mitrione - ACTION MEMORANDUM

DISCUSSION:

In a note delivered August 18, the Embassy of Uruguay transmitted to the Department a copy of Uruguayan President Pacheco's note to the Mayor of Montevideo, requesting that a street in Montevideo be named for Dan Mitrione and that a plaque to his memory be placed at a suitable location near the street.

I believe it would be a fitting gesture to Mrs. Mitrione to send her copies of the Uruguayan note and of the Department's response to that note.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the attached letter (Tab A) to Mrs. Mitrione, enclosing copies of the Embassy note and our reply.

Attachments:

Tab A - Letter to Mrs. Mitrione
Tab B - Copy of Uruguayan Note
Tab C - Copy of Department's Note

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